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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE - U.S. RELATIONS

REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 860

1. WE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER ADDRESSED TO CONSUL GENERAL
PETER C. WALKER FROM GPRM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS: QUOTE
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF MOZAMBIQUE, IN FACE OF YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 12, 1975,
WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT: 1 - YOUR CONSULAR FUNCTIONS
IN THE MOZAMBIKAN TERRITORY HAVE CEASED AS FROM THE 24TH
JUNE 1975. 2 - THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE DOES NOT
RECOGNIZE ANY REPRESENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA IN MOZAMBIQUE UNTIL SUCH TIME WHEN DIP-
LOMATIC OR CONSULAR RELATIONS WILL BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE.
PARA THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS STRONGLY DEMANDS YOUR
OFFICE TO IMMEDIATELY STOP ANY CONSULAR BUSINESS WHICH IT
MIGHT BE UNDERTAKING. PARA NONE OF THE CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES
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OF THE UNITES STATES OF AMERICA WHO WERE IN MOZAMBIQUE BEFORE

THE 25TH OF JUNE 1975 ARE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE REPRESENTING THEIR GOVERNMENT IN MOZAMBIQUE. PARA THEREFORE, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISES THEM TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. LOURENCO MARQUES, 15TH JUNE 1975 (SIC) INITIAL ILLEGIBLE. END QUOTE.

2. LETTER REFERRED TO IN PARA 1 IS THAT DELIVERED PER REFTEL ON WALKER DEPARTURE.

3. IF WE INTERPRET LAST PARAGRAPH CORRECTLY GPRM IS INSTRUCTING AAL U.S. OFFICERS WHO WERE IN MOZAMBIQUE PRIOR TO JUNE 25 (ALL OF US) TO DEPART SOONEST, ALTHOUGH NO DEADLINE GIVEN. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CLARIFICATION THROUGH SENATOR CLARK IF HE IS RECEIVED BY HIGH LEVEL GPRM OFFICIALS. OTHERWISE, PROPOSE SENDING LETTER TO FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE WE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF LETTER 259/75 FROM YOUR MINISTRY DATED JUNE 15 ADDRESSED TO MR. PETER C. WALKER, WHO DEPARTED MOZAMBIQUE AUGUST 19. PARA IN VIEW OF THE SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS OF THE LETTER FOR U.S.-MOZAMBIQUE RELATIONS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OF THE LAST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF THE LETTER REQUESTING THE DEPARTURE OF U.S. CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES WHO WERE IFMMOZAMBIQUE PRIOR TO JUNE 25, 197. SPECIFICALLY, WE WISH TO KNOW WHETHER THIS IS A REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTURE OF ALL AMERICAN STAFF MEMBERS OF OUR OFFICIAL MISSION IN MOZAMBIQUE, EVERY ONE OF WHOM WAS IN LOURENCO MARQUES PRIOR TO JUNE 25, OR ONLY THOSE WHO WERE SPECIFICALLY GIVEN CONSULAR EXEQUATUR BY THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT. PARA SINCERELY, RANDOLPH REEDH END QUOTE.

4. IF INTERPRETATION PARA 3 CORRECT, WE RECOMMEND EVACUATING ALL AMERICAN STAFF AND THEIR EFFECTS OVERLAND TO SOUTH AFRICA. WE WOULD SEEK GPRM ESCORT OF VANS AND OTHER VEHICLES WHICH AMEMBASSY PRETORIA MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE TO PICK US UP.

5. WE ARE PROCEEDING TO DESTROY FILES.

6. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS SOONEST.
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